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McEachern Memorial UMC and Macland Presbyterian Christmas Giving Catalog

2024 Christmas Catalog



What is the Giving Catalog?

The Giving Catalog is your opportunity to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas; giving to the Christ Child in an attitude of celebration for the Savior of the world. What would it look like if our community was really serious about advancing the Kingdom of God during the Advent season? Take the challenge and see what could happen if your family gave as much to the mission of Christ as you do to one another! That's right! We challenge you to give equal amounts this season to your family and to God's family. As an example, if you usually spend \$1000 on Christmas gifts, reduce your spending on your family to \$500 and give the other \$500 to advance the Kingdom here and across the world.

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measures to you." Luke 6:38

Who does it help?

You have the opportunity to invest where God is leading you right here in Cobb County or around the globe. Gifts as diverse as bringing joy to families here in Powder Springs, to changing the future for families across the world. Your gift this Christmas can truly make a difference.

How to give...

Give to the ministry (or ministries) that God has placed on your heart by filling out the enclosed giving form and either leave it in the collection plate or turn it in to Guest Services at the end of any worship service. You may choose to give in honor or memory of your family or friends and receive Honor Cards to present to those whose name you made a donation. Honor Cards may be picked up from the narthex and the Church Office.

Learn More about MMUMC Missions

We are committed to being a force for positive change in our community and the world. Our local outreach is focused on building partnerships with local organizations and communities and providing training and resources to help improve the lives of our neighbors. There are many opportunities to get involved whether it be volunteering in a local school, packing meals for hungry families, or packing relief supplies for victims of natural disasters.

Globally, we have in depth partnerships with churches, missionaries, and mission organizations in Turkey, the Czech Republic, and Belize. In these partnerships, we work with local partners to plan our future work, help train leaders, and support missionaries who are actively working to help people come to know and understand the Gospel.

How Can YOU Get Involved?

You can make a difference! Help share the love of Christ through Missions and get involved! Visit our website, www.mceachernunc.org, to see the many ways we are making a difference through MMUMC and Macland Presbyterian Missions both locally and globally. There is something for everyone, so get involved today!



Christmas Blessings







(1) Local Schools

Suggested Gift: \$25-\$100

Your gift will be used to support the students and teachers at our local schools. We support Compton Elementary School with a teacher appreciation lunch, a teacher welcome breakfast, classroom snacks of Cheerios, etc. We support Tapp Middle School's food pantry, Summer STEAM camp, etc. We have FCA at Lovinggood MS, McEachern HS, and Hillgrove HS.



(2) Shepherd's Rest Women's Shelter

Suggested gift: \$25+

Shepherd's Rest is a shelter for women who have experienced domestic violence.

Your gift goes to support the costs of running the shelter (ie food, utilities) and to cover the program expenses (counseling, classes).



(3) Murphy-Harpst Children's Center

Suggested gift: \$25-\$200

Murphy-Harpst has been providing hope and healing for 100 years! They provide a safe and nurturing environment where severely abused and neglected children can thrive and heal toward a goal of re-engaging with society and leading productive lives.

Murphy-Harpst is located in Cedartown, GA.

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(4) A Gift of Books for Compton Elementary

Suggested gift: \$25-\$200

Al and Carolyn Baumgartner started this project for their 60th wedding anniversary. In lieu of gifts, they asked friends and family to contribute to buy books for Compton Elem School students. They raised nearly \$1,000 and gave every student a book for *Read Across America*/Dr. Seuss' birthday. Let's continue the tradition!



(13) MMUMC Pre-School Scholarship

Suggested gift: \$30+

Your gift will be used to provide a scholarship to a child in need in our community to attend our pre-school.

"A bright beginning to a bright future!"



(5) MMUMC Food Pantry

Suggested gift: \$25-\$200

Your gift will be used to provide food assistance for families in need in our local community. We also provide paper products, hygiene products, and cleaning products.

For Thanksgiving and Christmas, we provide a gift of food and a grocery store gift certificate.



(14) A monetary gift to bless our Ukrainian family

Suggested gift: \$25+

The Korytskyi family is staying in our Mission Inn as they seek refuge from the war in Ukraine. Your gift will help them with the cost of living, food, and to buy Christmas gifts for their children. They welcomed a new addition to the family, baby Olivia, in October!

Let us bless them this Christmas.



(6) ESL - English for speakers of other languages

Suggested gift: \$20-\$200

Your gift will be used to support the ESL program at MMUMC. A gift of \$40 will provide the required book for the class.





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(7) Local Outreach

Suggested gift: \$25-\$200

Your gifts help local families experiencing financial hardship by paying a portion of rent, a utility bill, necessary medicine, etc. Our Local Outreach works closely with our partner school's social workers and through an application process to serve those in need. We make referrals to local agencies, pray with the clients, offer Bibles, and share the love of Christ!



(8) United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)

Suggested Gift: \$50-\$200+

UMCOR comes alongside those who suffer from natural or human-caused disasters--famine, war, hurricane, flood or other events--to alleviate suffering. Your gift will be used to buy supplies to assemble UMCOR relief kits. In light of the recent hurricanes and floods, there is a great need for these supplies!



(9) Mt. Top Boys Home

Suggested gift: \$25-\$200

Mountain Top is a boys' home and foster care center located in North Georgia. Their mission is to help young boys prepare to take an ethical and responsible citizenship role in their communities. Financial support is greatly needed to meet the needs of the youth, keep programs running smoothly, and employ qualified talent.



(10) Sew Powerful

Suggested gift: \$25-\$200

Sew Powerful is a Christian ministry that empowers girls and women through sewing projects. Use your sewing skills to make a difference in Zambia. A Sew Powerful purse provides a girl with the hygiene supplies she needs to stay in school all month. More days in school equals improved academic performance.

Your gift will be used to mail the completed Sew Powerful purses and to support other Sew Powerful projects in Zambia.



(11) Support the Leonard Family in Turkey

Suggested gift: \$1

The Leonards are missionaries in Turkey, a part of the world where there are VERY few Christians. Your gift will help support their ministry and their new project to open a coffee roastery. Their mission is to employ Christians in their roastery, disciple new believers and share Christ's love.



(12) Support Pastor Charles Mulemena in Belize

Suggested gift \$25-\$500

The Rev. Charles Mulemena is a missionary with GBGM of The United Methodist Church. He serves as a Pastor of 2 churches and 2 church schools in Belize. MMUMC has served on 2 mission trips in Belize and we look forward to another!

Pastor Charles has shared that they need to funds to pay for school children's lunches and funds for repairs to the school kitchen and cafeteria.

